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Sir:

AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Official Action dated July 18, 2002, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are requested along with the attached RCE and Information Disclosure Statement.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend the claims as follows:

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B1
30. (Amended) A fungal or yeast cell culture supernatant as antigenic source for detecting level of antibodies from a sample test subject, said fungal cell culture supernatant containing fungal components shed into the supernatant during culturing.

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43. (Amended) A fungal cell culture supernatant of *Bipolaris* displaying antigenicity towards antibody detection in a serodiagnostic assay for fungal antibody which comprises preparing said *Bipolaris* fungal cell culture supernatant; reacting said

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